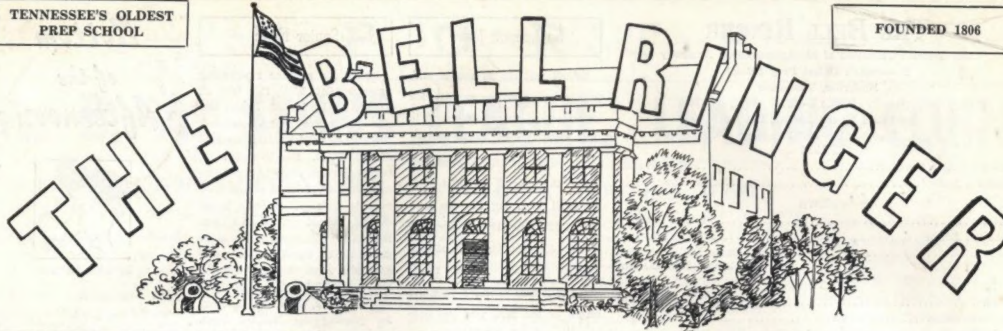


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VALEDICTORIAN, SALUTATORIAN ANNOUNCED

NEW MEMBERS OF HONOR SOCIETIES

Forensic Club

The Forensic Club is now rolling onward. After getting a start they are on their way to producing finer speakers as well as being a new addition in school organizations. Dick Sobel, John Barksdale and Ivan Brown started off with a Lincoln memorial program. These were a commendable group of short talks about Lincoln along with the Scripture. Now that the Club has adopted a constitution and set of by-laws they should go far in the field of public speaking. The Forensic Club of Montgomery Bell Academy is aiming to bring on more speakers and assembly programs for your enjoyment.

JIMMY RULE.

Seventeen new members have just been added to the National Senior Honor Society and six to the Junior. The members of the Senior Honor Society have had an average of 85 or over in all their subjects for a period of two and a half years and the members of the Junior for one and a half. Our heartiest congratulations to the following fine students.

In the Senior Honor Society are: Philip Boyd, Ivan Brown, Slayden Diehl, Tommy Frist, Donald Goodman, Jimmy Kellam, Butch McDaniel, Harlan Miller, Jim Perry, Buddy Rackard, Mack Rolfe, Peter Scales, Quimby Seawell, Dick Sobel, Dick Sullivan, Eddie White, Hilliard Wood.

In the Junior Honor Society are: Warner Bass, Frank Crowell, Bullets Gillespie, Guy McCellan, Robert Ralford, Tommy Sloan, Tom Stephens.

WARREN DAVIS.



Salutatorian Mack Brothers, left and Valedictorian Andy Coles.

Andy Coles, Jr. of Belle Meade Blvd. was recently named by Dr. Sager to be Valedictorian of the Class of 1955. Andy had a 96.61 average for his three and a half years at M.B.A. Andy, a truly versatile boy, played center and guard on the football team, was catcher on the baseball team, belonged to the Key Club, Senior Honor Society, Debating Team, Forensic Club, Totomoi, and is also a monitor. He hopes to enter the Air Force Academy next year.

Mack Brothers, III, 1955's Salutatorian, took second honors with an average of 96.23. He has played varsity football, been on the tennis and basketball teams, has served as Class officers, and holds membership in the Key Club, Totomoi, Senior Honor Society, and Hi-Y Club. He plans to enter Princeton next fall.

The third ranking student, Warren Davis, had an average of 96.21, just .07 percent less than Brothers' average. Davis plans to attend Vanderbilt University.

FLETCHER HARVEY.

Sophomore Commentaries On The Snow Wars

All Montgomery Bell is divided into three parts. The first being inhabited by the Seniors, the second by the Freshmen and the third by those who in their own language are called teachers, in our language are called --.

The bravest of these are the Seniors because they are the farthest from the culture and refinement of the school.

We, having moved peacefully into the province called campus, were calmly yelling insults when we found ourselves attacked by a most vicious foe, the Seniors.

Because we were only able to levy one legion from the whole province, we were forced to enlist the aid of a tribe known as Freshmen. We turned the tide of battle until the Seniors, for want of reinforcement, enlisted certain ones of the Junior clan.

Here followed the first battle of the gym. This was marked by certain acts of bravery on our side by Coochie Marshall and on theirs by Don Chickey. This Chickey was trapped by certain of our legions and after receiving many wounds, was forced to retreat with his overwhelmed forces.

Thinking we had the advantage, we pressed onward to their capital called Senior Room. Repulsed by fortifications, we suddenly found a majority of their troops in our rear. We fought most bravely but because of our surprised state were creamed.

Here entered those of whom I have spoken before. The teachers, a most unscrupulous, fiendish, and vastly powerful race, fell upon the remnant of both sides.

Dr. Peterson Speaks In Assembly

The Student Body was recently very honored to hear Dr. Merlin Peterson of Vanderbilt University speak in Assembly.

Dr. Peterson has done extensive work in atomic energy and his talk had to do with that subject.

His talk was very informative and was presented in such a way that everyone understood at least something about atomic energy. The bulk of his material was a "recipe" for making an atom bomb that seemed so simple that several Science students were all for buying some uranium and disposing of the school.

We greatly enjoyed Dr. Peterson and sincerely hope that he will return more often.

FLETCHER HARVEY.

Yelling their fierce war cries, not may I be excused, and such, the weakened Seniors were easy prey to the teachers and their terrible weapons, the demerit lists.

Many on both sides were felled but the Seniors suffered the worst losses. Brooks, P. Thompson, J. Barksdale, and certain juniors, W. Watson, T. Frist, and B. Morehead were among those who fell. Only a certain Legate by name of M. Brothers III came through unscathed. This was attributed to his wondrously wrought, brown shield.

This was a disastrous but yet thrilling war for the Student-Body people and will be renewed when we may again have a chance to drive both Seniors and Teachers from our province.

C. IULIUS SOPHOMORIS.

New Books In The Library

Mrs. Norton Campbell, our librarian, announces a number of good books have been added to our library. There is enough variety in these additional books to appeal to every student at M.B.A.

Each year the school purchases scores of new books, and so far this year over fifty have been added.

Included among the new books is an excellent autobiography by Grantland Rice called, "The Tumult and the Shouting". My life in sport, Grantland Rice is a Vanderbilt alumnus and was the foremost sportswriter of his time.

Another excellent book, written by Lawrence Schoonover, is a novel of Louis XI of France. For an understanding of the decay of France in the 15th Century this book called "The Spider King" is revealing.

"Stillness at Appomattox" by Bruce Cotton, is the 1953 Pulitzer prize winner. His previous books, "Mr. Lincoln's Army" and "Glory Road" concern other phases of the War between the States. This book is the last of the trilogy. It is a story of events prior to

Grant's victory ending at Appomattox.

Some non-fiction books of interest to M.B.A. students include three by Koller on "Hunting", "Fishing", and "Guns". Morke has an excellent "Encyclopedia of Sports". In the political field "The Roosevelt Family of Sagamore Hill", by Hagedorn, promises interesting reading.

Browse through the library and you will find these books of fiction: "Velvet Doublet", "The Pearl", "The Conqueror". M.B.A. has an excellent library and our students should make more use of it.

FRANK DROWOTA.

Sophomore Party

The sophomore class has had another party to spend their excess treasury. Held at the home of Jodie Wallace, the party began around nine o'clock. Dancing and what not followed. Some of the couples who attended were: Carolyn Fossick and Bob Marks, Louise Davis and Emmett Dozier, Bey Bryan and Brad Reed, Missie Herbert and Pete Tart.

The food committee did its utmost, and enjoying the fudge cake and sandwiches piled on the serving platters were: Carolyn Harwell and George Sloan, Mary Ann Braden and Ed Herbert. Food was not the topic of conversation, I can assure you, and John Murphree was doing his best to keep the lights off. Marianne Aurbach and Jim Thurman enjoyed the joke books.

John Brothers brought Jean Ann Miller, Tillie McNamara came with Runcie Clements and Beverly Doster came with Rollin Lasseter.

The party broke up around 11:30 and Jo Anne Faust and Doug Conwell were among those who agreed that it was a "mash-ing" success.

LEE SPEAKERS

January 19th members of the Forensic Club, a newly founded organization at M.B.A., gave a very informative program about Robert E. Lee, the leader of the Confederate Army.

Robert E. Lee, it seems, was an "ideal" man. One point brought out during the program was that in four years of school, he received neither a reprimand nor a demerit. Perhaps this should make some of us sit up and take notice.

John Thwest read the Scripture and delivered a short prayer. Fletcher Harvey spoke concerning the life of General Lee after which Frankie Drowota told of the personality and character of Lee.

The student body enjoys Mrs. Campbell's speakers and hopes to hear more from them in the future.

FLETCHER HARVEY.

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CLASS NEWS

Grade School News

Hellooo, nothing ever happens much, usual things, demerits, usual grades, and a little foolishness.

The people (the brains) that made the Junior Honor Society in the eighth grade are: Warner Bass, Guy McClellan, Bobby Ralford, Tom Stevens, Bullets Gillespie, Tommy Sloan, and Frankie Crowell.

The exams took a rough toll in the eighth grade? Well that's up to you. Several boys on the privilege list are now not "on" the privilege list because of some reasons, namely grades. In fact there is only one who is on the privilege list in the 8th grade. But not all are because of grades, some are because of demerits. There seems to be a fad of getting demerits, they seem to be just flying around.

Bullets seems to have given "Baby Steber" a bath, except Bullets used no soap, just a bucket of water.

A group of the eighth graders decided to throw snow balls after lunch instead of having History. We'll have to try that more often. There is just no catch, demerits, a lot of them too.

There is a rumor that Steber has 29 demerits. Is there anything to it, Bill?

The same birds are on the privilege list in the seventh grade. Mrs. Thompson says the eighth grade is immature.

Lu Burch, Warner Bass, and Doug Tune have been playing footsie in class. Goo Goo boys.

Dan Caldwell took a space ship to Chicago.

We are glad to see Benny West back. He has had his appendix

out and was away about three weeks.

Boys who like to see their names in print: Thomas Pollard Stephens, Junior, Robert Hunter Ralford III, Thomas Howe Sloan I, Willard Richard Husband (known as Jasper). Social lions plus.

Will Lucius grown up? This is a vital question.

So long, boys.

Freshmen News

Well, time for another issue I see. "Flamingo" Peek has been seen with a girl from Franklin. What about it, Flamingo?

"Bubbles" Mayes dozes in algebra class, yet he always has an average over 90. Hmmm.

The J. V. basketball team has been doing a good job but I imagine they could do better with more support.

It seems that there is a new phrase going around that goes something on this order: "Who's in the Belgian Congo?" Well, if anybody finds out who's who in the Belgian Congo would they please send a letter or a postcard to Higgins's Morgue, 1602 Beetle Street, Higginsville, (Higginsville as most of you know is between Laughing Willows and Scrunt's General Store.)

We have had a couple of nice snows. Most of the freshmen have enjoyed them. I say most because one freshman in particular (Mayes) just can't seem to keep his face out of the way of fast moving snowballs.

"Arizona" Bainbridge tells tales of "Zelda". "Ah, my what a girl," says Arizona.

Mrs. Sims has recently been finding paper-wads lying around. Now who could have been shooting paper-wads?

Sophomore News

School rejoices as exams end. Sophomores start preparation for re-exams. Students clamor to school through snow as everything else closes. Sophomores stand the world in lunch-time snowball fight. Sophomores massacred. Huddleston receives demerits for his "misuse of the King's english". After much thought Foxall declares that the origin of the zero was the hole in a doughnut. Wouldn't it be fun to write a 10,000 word theme? Since nothing else will fit Bearden starts wearing old lamphades for hats. Humphrey picks fight with 95 pound bruiser at J. V. game. Squee talks Mr. Younger out of another one; that brown sure is thick.

Hugh seems to have his eye on some of those hats floating around school. Clements declares he would like to live in a medieval castle and operate the draw-bridge. Lightfoot mourns as barbecue is served for lunch. Beard leaves home with car at 7:00 A.M. so he can finish his lessons. What a laugh! Masher gets his bongogongo drums straight from his native home. Second sophomore party best yet. Wallace left with six month's supply of food. Thurman eats it up.

Congratulations to Billy Hunter, the sophomore's gift to the varsity, for the bang-up job he's been doing. Also congratulations to the sophomores on the junior varsity, especially Buddy Foxall, Courtney Marshall, and Jodie Wallace. Goo' bye.

Junior News

Back again with more news from the junior class. Many of the juniors now flock to a new found establishment called "The Whip". It has now become a regular meeting place after the ball games. It seems that Buddy Rackard and Jim Kellam took in a terrific show called "The Big Ten Review". So I hear it was pretty good entertainment. How 'bout that "Goose"? Quimby Sewell is now running the Sweet Shop out of business. Willie Sutton has decided to change his last name to Hoppe as he has discovered his ability with the cue stick. Ivan Brown already has his ticket to Memphis for the Easter Holidays. "Flash" White was seen in assembly with dark glasses on as his darkroom eyes aren't used to the constant glare. Haan, Perry, Overton, and McDougall fail Gym as a new teacher comes in.

That is all for now so I'll see you next issue.

Senior News

Ready for another rip-roaring news article! Well, this isn't it. This is Senior News? Beatty decides to come back to school, stays all day, then misses the rest of the week. Blank and Holt, two senior members of the Freedom Forum, take a sleigh ride over to Ed's girl friend's house during school in Hunt's car. Brooks is still studying hard to get in SMU. Chickey goes broke as Senior room closes. Congratulations to Miller, Coleman, Harvey, Williams, Crichtlow, Brothers for passing the NROTC tests. Coles is applying for the Air Force Academy. Why is it that Cooney has more study halls than classes? Hunt banned from library. Has anyone read **Kenilworth**? Nolan comes to school with top down in 10' weather. Senior room turns into gambling parlor. Authorities decide to close it up for a week. Seniors want John Gordy for Senior dance. Senior class saturnine as astute Bitzer comes forth with deleterious vocabulary tests in order to corroborate a student's ingenious cogitation in this field. I tried to think of something funny to say about Miller's and Chickey's and Chrinchlow's and Gardner's oscilloscope but I couldn't. It's too scientific. Over-all and West come up with photo (?) tube. Makers of oscilloscope and Van de Graaf generator sure to pass Physics without even trying. Now wasn't this a rip-roaring article? ... I don't think so either.

So long 'till next issue.

Council for the Unlearned

By Mrs. Jean Gruce

HEART BREAK

Dear Mrs. Gruce: I am sincerely worried about my steady. I found him kissing another girl. Will this mean the end of our friendship?

PREPLEXED.

Most probably. My advice is ditch him. (Only be sure it's a deep ditch and that he is securely weighted.)

VICE

Dear Mrs. Gruce: My valentine was a fine hunk O'man. In fact he was real hunkie. Only now he has taken up the weed. What will this do to him?

WONDERING.

I hate to be discouraging but to answer this, I advise you to take a look at the senior class.

QUESTION

Dear Mrs. Gruce: I have written you twice and never have my letters been answered or printed. Why?

SOB.

Because they were unprintable.

CLOUDS

Dear Mrs. Gruce: The other day I was walking past the gym when I saw great clouds of black smoke pouring from that building and the Senior Room. About to call the fire department, I was stopped and never told why. I

Bottom of the Afternoon



by Blue La Rue

It's been such a short time since the last paper has come out (ha, ha) that nothing much has happened worthy of being put in this honored article. Well, anyway, on with the news. School held despite hazardous road conditions, according to the highway patrolman. But M.B.A. faithfully stays open. Steady as a pump-bolt Mrs. B would say. Mr. Rule stops letting his students lean against windowsills in Solid class. He says they must look awake even if they aren't. Mr. Wise gives inspiring talk in assembly. Students listen for first time in weeks. Goodman writes lonely heart's club as Burkholder takes interest in West High girls. Congratulations to Ben Dishman on his latest love life. Some say that he has found driving conditions favorable in Nashville late'y. D. V. Johnson joins pinned club. Rule thrills Cohn students with speech. School engages in snow fight. Everybody seems to gang up on the Seniors. A few snow-balls, however, found their way toward various members of the faculty. Glee Club underway on second bar of second song. Over-all takes trip to New York. Wonder what he saw up there? Senior English students studying how to avoid jargon or . . . Norman Minick lost in love. Chickey lost in cigarette smoke. Question by Don "Igor" Goodman, "Has anyone seen my pants?" E. G. is very flashy in his Packard convertible. Congratulations to scholars: Coles, Brothers, and Davis, and to all the new members of the National Honor Societies. That's all the news I've heard. If you know of anything I have left out please notify me in care of the Insane Asylum, Tent 6, Castleman Drive.

have observed this phenomena several times. What is it?

CHOKING.

Don't worry. The seniors were only keeping warm.

I appreciate your cooperation and hope my sound advice has helped you. Send all letters to new address as I now have a big government job.

Mrs. Jean Gruce
c/o Boiler Room
U. S. Senate
Washington, D. C.

They will gladly forward it to Alcatraz division for the criminally insane.

S P O R T S

M. B. A. STUNS LEAGUE, LEADING COHN

BIG RED STAGGERS SIDNEY LANIER

Maroons Smash Howard

On Tuesday, February 15, the M.B.A. Maroons defeated the Howard High Rebels 69 to 54 in the victor's gymnasium. This victory virtually clinched the second seeded spot in the 18th district tournament for the Maroons. Seeking revenge for an earlier 56-55 defeat by the Rebels, M.B.A. jumped into front and stayed there through the entire contest. M.B.A.'s magnificent juniors led the attack. All 18th District Whit Watson sparked the Maroon attack with 23 points, but he was closely followed by Tom Frist with 21 and Mack Rolfe with 17. (Notice that the combined points of these topped Howard's total score.) The Big Red also collected its share of rebounds. Pete Thompson, Phil Williams, and Henry Hurt, M.B.A.'s big men, did a superb job on the backboards. Pride for Howard was the loser's top scorer with 17 points. Everyone who saw the game will agree that the game was well played. Each member of the M.B.A. team should be congratulated for his magnificent showing against Howard.

M.B.A.	(69)
F-Watson	(23)
F-Hurt	(21)
C-Williams	(17)
G-Frist	(17)
G-Rolfe	(17)

HOWARD	(54)
F-Conwell	(10)
F-Kimbrough	(4)
C-Pride	(16)
G-Smith	(5)
G-Frensley	(11)

Scoring subs: M.B.A.—Thompson (1); Howard—Ryman (8). Shooting percentages from field: M.B.A.—34; Howard—36%. Free throws: M.B.A.—74%; Howard—79%.

DICK SOBEL.

M.B.A.'s TOURNAMENT FUTURE

M.B.A.'s '55 basketball team will have to go a long way to catch up with the team of 1954. The '54 team with such stars as All Regional Dickie Anderson, All District Carlin Rolfe along with Jimmy Martin, Bobby Calton, and Johnny Craig carried the Big Red to the semi-finals of the regional tournament.

During the District Tournament M.B.A. stopped both T.I.S. and highly regarded East High. The Maroons lost to West 39-37 in a sudden death overtime which saw little Jimmy French hit a miraculous under handed jump shot which was partially blocked by Rolfe.

In the Regionals the Maroons blasted Hillsboro 57-49, which saw the Big Red completely bottle up 6-6 Bobby Hatcher who was the N.I.L. scoring leader and later elected to the all state team. The next night M.B.A. ran up against a red hot Woodlawn Club which hit 49% of their shots. This loss brought use of the best years of basketball to an end for M.B.A.

This year's M.B.A. team is led by All District guard Whit Watson. Along with Watson there is Tommy Frist who is a wonderful shot. Hurt and Williams are one of the main reasons for the success of the team this year. These

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M. B. A. Bounces West

M.B.A.'s tiny gym was packed to the rafters as the Big Red of M.B.A. defeated West 51-47 for the first time in 4 years of basketball here at M.B.A. M.B.A.'s fine offensive machine failed to find the range in the first quarter and if it wasn't for the splendid foul shooting of Henry Hurt the Big Red could have easily been defeated by the State champions of last year. The first quarter score was 9-6 in favor of West, as M.B.A. failed to score from the field. The Maroon five encountered rough luck as shots continuously rolled around the rim and fell off. In the second quarter the game was quite even until Jerry Appleton hit a couple of long one handers which vaulted West into the lead. Near the end of the first half Henry Hurt and Whit Watson bombarded the nets for 10 points, which gave the Maroons a 4 point lead at intermission. The second half proved to be far better than the first with both teams hitting well from the field. Big Phil Williams began to hit his stride in the third quarter for M.B.A. Phil took everything off the backboard that was thrown up there. Phil collected some 20 rebounds and 12 points for a good night's work. The big surprise of the game was in M.B.A.'s rebounding. Williams and Hurt were tremendous ball hawks as they gathered in some 36 rebounds between themselves. West is a team with two tall forwards in Greer and Parsons, and Stephens is a tremendous center under the backboard.

The fourth quarter proved to be the best. M.B.A. caught fire and got themselves a 10 point lead once, but the determined Blue Jays, with the sharpshooting of Stinky Kelly, who is one of the best baseball pitchers in the N.I.L. cut the lead to one point. Watson's well executed jump shots from the side proved to be the deciding points. Another misery came to the Big Red when Mack Rolfe fouled out with about three minutes to go. The West team's full court press worked to perfection as Parsons and Kelly racked up plenty of points. Jerry Appleton became a little too over anxious as he fouled Phil Williams. After Williams hit his two shots, West's final hope: died when Parsons missed a simple crisp shot right under the basket. Watson hit two more points from the side which gave the Red a six point advantage and they held it until Greer stole the ball in the final seconds and dumped in a one hander from the side. This 51-47 victory was one of the most pleasing victories to the school, and team, and above all Coach Owen who has never beaten a West basketball team. Yes, the Maroons trimmed the four leaf clover for a pleasing 51-47 victory.

M.B.A.	(51)	WEST	(47)
G-Frist	(2)	G-DuBoise	(19)
G-Rolfe	(2)	G-Thomas	(8)
F-Hurt	(19)	F-Greer	(18)
F-Watson	(12)	F-Parsons	(16)
C-Williams	(12)	C-Stephens	(6)

M.B.A. subs: Hunter 1. West subs: Appleton 8, Kelly 9.

JOHN BARKSDALE.

MICROBE BASKETBALL

Dickie Husband has shown himself well this season in both scoring and rebounding. In the past 7 games Dickie has done well in both. In 7 games he has scored 89 points, an average of 12.7 per game. Against Glendale he scored a rip-roaring 21 points. With one game left we are expecting his usual fine playing.

Dickie Husband is not the only one who has done a fine job. Bobby Raiford has done a good job also. He has a goodly number of points, and he seems to have a knack for defense, especially stealing balls.

Tom Stephens is another example of a good ball player. He has good form on his jumps and usually hits. He is also an excellent rebounder.

Tommy Sloan, lanky, is a good example of improvement. He has developed his shots to where he

scores many points. An example of this was the Harpeth Valley game, he ripped the net for 15 points. He also does an outstanding job on rebounding.

Lu Burch has fewer points but is an excellent player just the same. He has played almost the full 24 minutes in every game. He plays well on defense and always guards his man, plays back and stops fast breaks. Burch and the other four men above go to form the first five.

Besides these fine players, Mr. Norman has a good bench of reserves who have done a fine job as subs. The whole team has truly shown up well this season.

M.B.A. truly has had a good season this year. They have won 5 of their 7 games with one game left to play, losing only to Woodmont and Stokes. Here are the scores of the games this season: Robertson Academy 21, M.B.A. 23; Woodmont 21, M.B.A. 18; Stokes 31, M.B.A. 17; Glendale 20, M.B.A. 39; Andrews 22, M.B.A. 30; Harpeth Valley 24, M.B.A. 26; Farmer 24, M.B.A. 30; Burton 18, M.B.A. 20.

Mr. Norman has really produced a swell team this year, of course there was some good material also. Their percentage this year is .714.

Now the boys are debating a baseball team to a track team. Well boys, good going.

Individual scoring in all games: Husband (77), Sloan (40), Raiford (22), Stevens (20), Burch (7), Crowell (3), Gillespie (3), McClellan (1), Bass (1), Clements (1).

FRANKIE CROWELL.

A well balanced M.B.A. five led by 6 foot 1 Henry Hurt, a junior forward, gave M.B.A. a well earned 59-50 victory over powerful Cohn. Cohn, which had beaten the Maroons in our gym, could not stop the 1-2-3 punch of Hurt, Watson, and Frist. M.B.A. jumped into an early 11-2 lead, but Cohn came battling back to be behind by 6 at the quarter. Cohn's big men Greer and Fentress put the tigers in striking distance with a flurry of quick baskets, however the Big Red held off the savage attack of Cohn and found themselves with a 29-23 tie at half. The first half saw Hurt continually clear the backboards against overwhelming odds, because both Greer and Fentress are 6-3. Watson and Frist kept the pressure on the tigers in the first half with many jump shots around the free throw circle. The second half the Maroons came out even a better ball club than they were in the first half. The team with all juniors went back where they left off in the first half by building back up their big margin. Cohn's fighting tigers found the range hard to find in the third quarter and found themselves trailing by 10 and 12 points at times. The fourth quarter was a real toss-up affair with both teams showing dead accuracy. The Big Red found their big lead again being cut down by the smooth hook shots of Louis Greer and the balthawking of Kayo Smith. At the close of the fourth quarter Cohn cut M.B.A.'s lead of 12 points to 4. A crisp shot by Thompson cinched the game as Hurt took Cohn's final hopes off the backboards. Watson and Frist added a couple of baskets and the upset of the night was complete. The Big Red's success came in ball handling as the Maroons made the least amount of floor mistakes for this season. Cohn's red hot offense featuring Greer, Fentress, and Smith was kept in check by Rolfe, Hurt, and Frist. Hurt's 21 points and tremendous rebounding was the most outstanding show put on by any M.B.A. player so far this year. M.B.A., by the way, was anywhere from a 6 point to 12 point underdog. The Big Red's winning streak will have great bearing in the tournaments and above all the 18th District title.

M.B.A.	(59)
F-Hurt	(21)
F-Watson	(17)
C-Thompson	(2)
G-Frist	(11)
G-Rolfe	(5)

COHN	(59)
F-Fentress	(15)
F-Gentry	(5)
C-Green	(16)
G-Daugherty	(2)
G-Smith	(10)

JOHN BARKSDALE.

RYAN SURPRISES MAROONS

The Ryan Panthers ruined the Maroons hopes for the 18th district championship with a 52-50 defeat. The Maroons were not hitting their usual high percent of baskets but they held the lead until the final minutes. The Panthers took the lead with three minutes to go when Ken Goostree hit two field goals from near mid-court. This so jolted the Big Red that they couldn't snap back and went down in defeat at the hands of the Ryan Panthers in the Ryan gym. Mack Rolfe with 15, Whit Watson with 14, and Tommy Frist with 12 were high men for M.B.A., while Louie Graham with 18 was high for Ryan.

M.B.A.	(50)	FATHER RYAN	(52)
F-Watson	(14)	F-White	(6)
F-Hurt	(11)	F-Lynch	(5)
C-Williams	(8)	C-Sullivan	(9)
G-Frist	(12)	G-Graham	(18)
G-Rolfe	(15)	G-Lynch	(10)

Halftime score: M.B.A. 24; Ryan 21. Subs: Father Ryan—Goostree (4).

BILL BRADFORD.

Personalities of the Month



Al Strayhorn

We, of the Bell Ringer, have chosen as one of the personalities of the month, Al Strayhorn. Al came to M.B.A. as a freshman and graduate of Woodmont School. Since Al has attended M.B.A. he has made quite a name for himself. He was a member of our first track team last year and is planning to go out again this year. He is a member of the Senior Honor Society and was recently elected to the Hi-Y and Totomoi Clubs. He is secretary of the Key Club and Honor Council. Al did a tremendous job in football this year. He received the Rolfe Memorial Award, an award given to the most improved player. Al is well liked by everyone and always greets you with a smile. Al plans to attend Vanderbilt University where he will enter pre-med.

Al is a member of the Kappa Phi Fraternity.

His likes and dislikes are:
Favorite Food: Carrots
Favorite Actress: Marilyn Monroe
Hated Food: Squash
Favorite Subject: English Lit.
Hated Subject: Spanish

DICK SAGER



John Teas

The "Bell Ringer" Staff has selected John Teas as one of its personalities of the month. John came to M.B.A. from Farmer School. His friendliness has made him one of the most well-liked boys on the hill.

During his freshman year John served on the Honor Council and he is now on it again this year. He has been in the Key Club his Junior and Senior years. John Erick has also been an active member in the Hi-Y Club for three years. This year he serves as Vice-President of this Club.

John is a member of the Alpha Chi Fraternity in which he serves as Treasurer. He attends the First Presbyterian Church. His friends here know that he will do well in later life.

Among his likes and dislikes are:

Favorite Subject: English Lit.
Disliked Subject: Spanish
Favorite Dish: Steak with Onions
Most Hated Dish: Okra
Favorite Actor: John Wayne

LON FOSTER WEST.



Ben Dishman

The "Bell Ringer" Staff has selected Ben Dishman as one of its personalities of the month. Ben came to M.B.A. this year from Okinawa American High School in Okinawa, Japan. During the little time he has been here, he has gained many friends.

Ben was selected a member of the Hi-Y Club at the start of the year. He is a member of the Hi-Y basketball team also. He played football this past season and was the kickoff man.

Ben is a member of the Monogram Club. He was also elected a Monitor at the beginning of the year.

Ben is a member of the Delta Sigma fraternity.

Among his likes and dislikes are:

Favorite Dish: Steak
Most Hated Dish: None ("I like 'em all")
Favorite Subject: English
Disliked Subject: Math
Favorite Actress: Liz Taylor

LON FOSTER WEST.

Girl of the Month



Betty Lackey

As girl of the month the "Bell Ringer" Staff has chosen Miss Betty Lackey.

Betty is a sixteen year old, green-eyed Junior at Hillsboro. At Hillsboro she is a member of the tennis team, the Clinic Staff, and "From the Hilltops".

She attends Calvary Methodist Church and there she belongs to the M.Y.F.

When Betty entered high school she pledged the Delta Beta Sigma sorority and while in this club she has become very well liked by all her associates.

This year Betty served M.B.A. as an attendant at Homecoming.

We, of the Bell Ringer Staff, are proud to have such a fine, popular, young lady as our Girl of the Month.

JACK WELCH.

MAROONS WIN OVER NORTH

On the cold, snowy night of February 1st the charges of Coach Tommy Owen of M.B.A. defeated the Yanks of North High 71-54 in the loser's gymnasium. This victory was the seventh out of ten starts and the second straight after the Maroon's loss to Ryan. The Big Red team had no trouble with the Yanks and were ahead all of the game. Billy Hunter thrilled the crowd in the waning seconds of the game with a swishing set shot from the mid-court line. The high point men for M.B.A. were Whit Watson, with 23 and Tommy Frist with 14.

M.B.A. (71)
F—Watson(23)
F—Hurt(9)
C—Williams(11)
G—Frist(14)
G—Rolfe(3)
NORTH (54)
F—Allen(2)
F—Hardin(6)
C—Russell(22)
G—Manners(3)
G—Boner(12)
Halftime score: M.B.A. 37; North 24. Subs: M.B.A.—Brown (6), Thompson (2), Hunter (3). North—Price (4), Golden (3), Duncan (2).

JIM OVERALL.

M.B.A.'s TOURNAMENT (Continued from Page 3)

Two boys are good defensive men and rebounders. Mack Rolfe who is a terrific ball handler finishes out the '55 team. This year's team has compiled a record of 19 wins against 4 losses so far and if luck holds out we could be riding high for the on-coming tournaments.

JOHN BARKSDALE.

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HOWARD TRIPS M.B.A. 56-55

Little Tommy Frensley, Howard guard, wheeled in a shot with 13 seconds remaining to play and gave Howard the win over the Big Red on their home floor.

The game gave Howard second place in the 18th district seedings. It also was the 12 win in 13 outings for the Rebels and halted a three game winning streak for the Big Red.

Howard ripped the nets for a blazing 42 per cent while M.B.A. only hit 34.2 per cent. Frensley, along with Guard Buddy Smith and Center Carl Pride, accounted for all but one of the Rebel points. Frensley and Smith had 18 each while Pride put in 19. For M.B.A. Frist had 14 and Watson had 13 points.

M.B.A. (55)
F—Watson(13)
F—Hurt(8)
C—Williams(9)
G—Rolfe(9)
G—Frist(14)

HOWARD (56)
F—Conwell(11)
F—Kimbrough(19)
C—Pride(18)
G—Frensley(18)
G—Smith(18)
Halftime score: Howard—32; M.B.A. 31. Scoring subs: M.B.A.—Thompson 2.

BEN ROBBINS.

Whit Watson Named to All 18th District Team

Whit Watson, six foot junior guard, was recently placed on the 18th District Team. Whit, who is the captain of the Big Red, has shown his ability to be a good shooter and a good defensive man. So far this season Whit has scored 312 points which is not very far from the top of the N.I.L. scoring race. Whit's ability of shooting well from out court was seen in the District and regional tournaments of last year. Whit has been a good team man for the Maroons this year and his leadership ability has been proven in plenty of rough spots the Big Red have had this season. Whit, by the way is the only junior on the all-city team both 19th and 18th districts. Congratulations to Whit Watson who so deservedly has won this great honor of being elected to the all 18th District basketball team.

JOHN BARKSDALE.

BIG RED DEFEATS LIPSCOMB

On the night of February 11th the mighty Maroons of M.B.A. defeated the Mustangs of Lipscomb 35-29 in Lipscomb's gym. Both teams were off in their shooting and M.B.A. got off to a very slow start being behind 3 points at the half-way mark. The second half showed little action also as the balls kept bouncing off the rim and never seemed to want to go in. The Maroons put together enough stray points to pull out a decisive win over the Mustangs. M.B.A. scored 13 points lower than it ever had before in a game this season. Top man offensively for M.B.A. was Whit Watson with 18 points.

M.B.A. (35)
F—Hurt(7)
F—Watson(18)
C—Williams(1)
G—Frist(8)
G—Rolfe(1)
LIPSCOMB (29)
F—Meador(4)
C—Choate(8)
G—Hall(6)
G—Zapp(10)
Halftime score: Lipscomb 31; M.B.A. 18. Scoring subs: Lipscomb—Vaughan (1).

JIM OVERALL.